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In re application of: Kiyoshi Kikubu

Serial No. : 09/943,686

Filed : August 31, 2001

For : A SEALING VESSEL, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THEREOF  
AND A DISPLAY APPARATUS USING SUCH SEALING VESSEL

Group A.U. :

Date : March 1, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows.